

CLAIMS

1. A method for securing a foundation form disposed on a moisture barrier membrane comprising:
 - placing a sealing member on a stake at a location disposed along an axial length thereof to form a seal around a perimeter of said stake;
 - penetrating said moisture barrier membrane with one end of said stake; and
 - forming a seal between said sealing member and said moisture barrier membrane around a point where said stake penetrates said moisture barrier membrane.
2. The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of forming said seal by sliding said sealing member along said axial length of said stake to a location disposed adjacent to said moisture barrier membrane.
3. The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step selecting said sealing member to include a flexible portion located on a portion thereof that forms said seal around a perimeter of said stake.
4. The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step selecting said sealing member to include an elastic portion located on a portion thereof that forms said seal around a perimeter of said stake.
5. The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of forming said seal between said sealing member and said moisture barrier membrane using an adhesive sealant.
6. The method according to claim 5 further comprising the step of selecting said sealing member to include an adhesive sealant disposed on a surface thereof.

7. The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of selecting said stake to include at least one bore extending through said stake in a direction transverse to said axial length thereof.
8. The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of securing said stake to said foundation form.
9. The method according to claim 8 wherein said securing step is further comprised of the step of driving at least one of a nail and a screw through a bore formed in said stake and into said foundation form.
10. The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of breaking off a portion of said stake.
11. The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of breaking off a portion of said stake that remains exposed after concrete has been poured over said moisture barrier.
12. The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of selecting said sealing member to include a ridge disposed on an outer rim thereof.
13. The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of forming a channel between said perimeter and an outer rim of said sealing member when said sealing member is placed on said stake.
14. The method according to claim 13 further comprising the step of disposing a pesticide in said channel.
15. A method for securing a foundation form disposed on a moisture barrier membrane comprising:

penetrating said moisture barrier membrane with one end of a stake;
sealing a breach in said moisture barrier membrane around a periphery of said stake caused by said penetrating step; and
removing a portion of said stake extending above said moisture barrier membrane.

16. The method according to claim 15 further comprising the step of placing a sealing member on said stake at a location disposed along an axial length thereof and extending radially away from an axis defined along a length of said stake.

17. The method according to claim 16 further comprising the step of forming said seal by sliding said sealing member along an axial length of said stake to a location disposed adjacent to said moisture barrier membrane.

18. The method according to claim 16 further comprising the step selecting said sealing member to include a flexible portion that seals around a perimeter of said stake.

19. The method according to claim 16 further comprising the step selecting said sealing member to include at least one of an elastic or resilient portion that seals around a perimeter of said stake.

20. The method according to claim 16 further comprising the step of forming said seal between said sealing member and said moisture barrier membrane using an adhesive sealant .

21. The method according to claim 16 further comprising the step of selecting said sealing member to include an adhesive disposed on a surface thereof.

22. The method according to claim 15 further comprising the step of selecting said stake to include at least one bore extending through said stake in a direction transverse to an axis defined along a length of said stake.

23. The method according to claim 15 further comprising the step of securing said stake to said foundation form.

24. The method according to claim 23 wherein said securing step is further comprised of driving at least one of a nail and a screw through a bore, formed in said stake transverse to an axis defined along a length of said stake, and into said foundation form.

25. The method according to claim 15 wherein said removing step includes breaking off said portion of said stake that remains exposed after concrete has been poured over said moisture barrier.

26. The method according to claim 16 further comprising the step of selecting said sealing member to include a ridge disposed on an outer rim thereof.

27. The method according to claim 16 further comprising the step of forming a channel between said stake and an outer rim of said sealing member.

28. The method according to claim 27 further comprising the step of disposing a pesticide in said channel.

29. Apparatus for securing a foundation form disposed on a moisture barrier membrane comprising:

an elongated stake; and

a sealing member disposed at a location along an axial length of said stake forming a seal around a periphery of said stake at said location and extending radially away from an axis defined along a length of said stake.

30. The apparatus according to claim 29 further comprising a sealant disposed on a surface of said sealing member nearest said tip.

31. The apparatus according to claim 29 wherein said sealing member is slidably mounted to said stake along an axial length thereof.

32. The apparatus according to claim 29 wherein said sealing member includes a flexible portion that forms said seal around said periphery of said stake.

33. The apparatus according to claim 29 wherein said sealing member includes at least one of an elastic or resilient portion that forms said seal around said periphery of said stake.

34. The apparatus according to claim 29 wherein said stake includes at least one bore extending through said stake in a direction transverse to said axis.

35. The apparatus according to claim 29 wherein said stake comprises at least one structure to permit a portion of said stake to be removed.

36. The apparatus according to claim 35 wherein said at least one structure defines a break point where said stake is designed to be break when struck forcefully in a direction transverse to said axis.

37. The apparatus according to claim 29 wherein said sealing member includes a ridge disposed on an outer rim thereof spaced apart from said periphery of said stake.

38. The apparatus according to claim 29 further comprising a channel formed between said periphery of said stake and an outer rim of said sealing member spaced apart from said periphery.
39. A disposable stake for a foundation form comprising:
an elongated stake;
at least one structure to permit a portion of a length of said stake to be removed.
40. The apparatus according to claim 39 wherein said at least one structure defines a break point where said stake is designed to be break when struck forcefully in a direction transverse to said axis.